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The Conference recommends that the United Nations Security Council adopt a new resolution on Security assurances to build up and enhance the effectiveness of Security Council resolution 255 of 1968.

The proposed Security Council resolution should reflect the collective commitment and resolve of the Security Council to deter nuclear aggression to decide immediately upon measures required with respect to a threat or use of nuclear weapons against any non-nuclear-weapon State party to the NPT in accordance with the provisions of Chapter Seven of the United Nations Charter. These measures should contain the following elements:

1. A more comprehensive definition of assistance so as to incorporate technical, financial as well as humanitarian assistance.

2. The imposition of sanctions against any State, party or non-party to the Treaty which uses nuclear weapons against a non-nuclear-weapon State party to the Treaty.

Such a new Security Council resolution would be a very important element in extending and bolstering the non-proliferation régime beyond 1995.